GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AYURVEDA,YOGA & NATUROPATHY,UNANI,SIDDHA AND HOMEOPATHY (AYUSH)
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:189
ANSWERED ON:29.07.2016
RMP in AYUSH
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Will the Minister of AYURVEDA,YOGA & NATUROPATHY,UNANI,SIDDHA AND HOMEOPATHY (AYUSH) be pleased to state:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH) be pleased to state:
(a) whether there has been a steady increase in the Registered Medical Practitioners (RMP) under AYUSH system of medicine during the last two years, and if so, the details thereof;
(b) whether the number of patients per RMP doctor has been considered for the expansion of AYUSH system, and if so, the details thereof; and
(c) the steps taken by the Government to bridge the gap in the number of doctors and patients and to popularise the AYUSH system in the urban and rural areas?

Answer

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) OF THE MINISTRY OF AYURVEDA, YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY(AYUSH)
(SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK)

(a) to (c): A statement is laid on the Table of the House
STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA
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(a): As per information available from State Boards/Councils, the number of AYUSH Practitioners has increased from 7,36,538 in 2014 (as on 01.01.2014) to 7,44,563 in 2015(as on 01.01.2015)

(b): No, Sir.
(c): To popularize the AYUSH, Ministry of AYUSH is implementing Centrally Sponsored Scheme namely "National AYUSH Mission" (NAM) and Central Sector Scheme for Promotion of Information, Education and Communication (IEC).
1. Under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of NAM, following activities are undertaken:
â€¢ Under National AYUSH Mission (NAM), the State / UT Governments are provided Grant-in-aid for procurement of essential AYUSH medicines for AYUSH Hospitals & Dispensaries, AYUSH Co-located facilities at Primary Health Centers (PHC), Community Health Centers (CHC) and District Hospitals (DH). The mission also supports improvement in quality of AYUSH education through enhancement in the number of upgraded educational institutions, sustained availability of quality raw materials by promoting cultivation of medicinal plants and improved availability of quality ASU&H drugs through increase in number of pharmacies and setting up of Drugs Laboratories in the states.

â€¢ Further, provision has also been made for following activities under NAM:

i. Behavior Change Communication (BCC) has been included as a strategy of Mass Media Communication incorporating AYUSH strengths in early prevention of diseases through promotion of healthy diet and life style to be adopted by the community which will be advocated by the states.

ii. Public Health Outreach activity has been included to focus on increasing awareness about AYUSH's strength in solving community health problems resulting from nutritional deficiencies, epidemics and vector-borne diseases, Maternal and Child Health Care.

iii. AYUSH Gram is a concept wherein one village per block is selected for adoption of method and practice of AYUSH way of life and interventions of health care. In AYUSH village, AYUSH based lifestyles are promoted through behavioral change communication, training of village health workers towards identification and use of local medicinal herbs and provision of AYUSH health services.

2. Under the IEC Scheme,following activities are undertaken:
â€¢ Organization of Arogya Fairs both at the National and State Level;

â€¢ Participation in Health Fairs/ Melas / Exhibitions organized by Government Departments, State Governments and other reputed Organizations;

â€¢ Preparation and distribution of authentic Publicity material on AYUSH Systems including Multi-media/print media campaigns,

audio visual materials for popularization of AYUSH Systems;

â€¢ Providing financial assistance to reputed organizations, NGOs, Educational/ Research Institutes for organizing Seminars, Conferences, Symposiums, Workshop, Meeting, etc. on AYUSH Systems.

â€¢ Providing incentives to AYUSH Industry by reimbursement of 50% expenditure for participation in Arogya and other Fairs/ Melas/ Exhibitions/ Conferences/ Seminars etc. organized by Central/ State Governments/ Government organizations/ reputed organizations like Chemexil, Pharmexcil, CII, FICCI, ASSOCHAM, ITPO etc. at State/ National level.

â€¢ The Government of India has been celebrating the International Day of Yoga during the last two years with an aim to help people to adopt healthy way of life.

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